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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY MANILA

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SUBJECT:DEPUTY ASST SECY STEARNS TRAVEL PLANS

1. EA DEPUTY ASST SECY STEARNS PLANS ORIENTATION TRIP TO  
VARIOUS POSTS DURING OCTOBER. FOLLOWING IS SCHEDULE.

WASH DC NW 003 0915 OCT 2 TUESDAY

TOKYO 1630 OCT 3 WEDNESDAY

TOKYO JAL 731 1030 OCT 6 SATURDAY

HONG KONG 1430 OCT 6 SATURDAY

HONG KONG CX 601 1000 OCT 7 SUNDAY

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SAIGON 1115 OCT 7 SUNDAY

SAIGON OPEN OCT 13 SATURDAY  
PHNOM PENH OCT 13 SATURDAY

PHNOM PENH OPEN OCT 16 TUESDAY  
VIENTIANE OCT 16 TUESDAY

VIENTIANE OPEN OCT 18 THURSDAY  
BANGKOK OCT 18 THURSDAY

BANGKOK PK 762 1250 OCT 20 SATURDAY  
MANILA 1645 OCT 20 SATURDAY

MANILA PAA 842 1435 OCT 22 MONDAY  
HONOLULU 0815 OCT 22 MONDAY

HONOLULU PAA 812 0915 OCT 22 MONDAY  
LOS ANGELES 1725 OCT 22 MONDAY

LOS ANGELES UA 52 0900 OCT 24 WEDNESDAY  
WASH DC 1646 OCT 24 WEDNESDAY

2. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSIES AND CG HONG KONG MAKING  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUITABLE ACCOMMODATIONS.

3. FOR TOKYO: STEARNS WOULD LIKE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS  
JAPANESE POLICY TOWARD SOUTHEAST ASIA WITH EMBASSY AND  
APPROPRIATE JAPANESE OFFICIALS.

4. FOR HONG KONG: DESPITE BREVITY OF STAY STEARNS WOULD  
APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS RECENT PRC DEVELOPMENTS  
WITH CG OSBORN AND DAVID DEAN. IF BOB SHAPLEN IS IN TOWN  
EVENING OF OCT 16 WOULD LIKE TO GET TOGETHER WITH HIM FOR  
DRINKS OR DINNER.

5. FOR SAIGON: IN ADDITION TO BRIEFINGS IN SAIGON,  
STEARNS WOULD LIKE TO TRAVEL UP-COUNTRY AND WOULD  
APPRECIATE EMBASSY PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN  
SAIGON AND CONSULATES. HOPE IT WILL ALSO BE POSSIBLE  
FOR SAIGON TO ARRANGE MILITARY TRANSPORT, PREFERABLY  
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BY SCATBACK, FROM SAIGON TO PHNOM PENH OCT 13.

6. FOR PHNOM PENH AND VIENTIANE: CAN MILITARY TRANSPORT  
BE MADE AVAILABLE BETWEEN PHNOM PENH AND VIENTIANE?  
PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER VIENTIANE AIRCRAFT COULD PICK UP  
STEARNS IN PHNOM PENH OR WHAT OTHER ARRANGEMENTS ARE  
FEASIBLE FOR TRAVEL TO VIENTIANE OCT 16.

7. FOR BANGKOK: LEAVE TO EMBASSY TO DECIDE WHETHER IN ADDITION TO MISSION BRIEFINGS IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE FOR STEARNS TO MEET WITH THAI OFFICIALS. HOWEVER, IF GENERAL THEP IS AVAILABLE IN EITHER BANGKOK OR UDORN, STEARNS WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO SEE HIM.

8. FOR MANILA: HOPE AMB SULLIVAN WILL BE IN MANILA OCT 22-24 SINCE STEARNS IS LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING HIM. RUSH

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